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 IN RE APPLICATION OF: Tomohisa KATO, et al.  
 SERIAL NO: 10/772,372  
 FILED: February 6, 2004  
 FOR: HALE-MACHINING METHOD AND APPARATUS

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated December 27, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.